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Amendments to the Specification

Please insert the following new paragraphs to the specification. Please insert the paragraphs in chronological order starting with paragraph 92, following paragraph 91 in the original specification:

-- [0092] An easel frame 70 comprises a first plurality of arced vertices 50 registered at a center of the frame 70 and elevated above a ground surface (not shown). A first plurality of arms 58 monolithically are formed with the first plurality of arced vertices 50 wherein the first plurality of arms 58 extend linearly and outwardly from the center of the frame 70. Second and third pluralities of arced vertices 51, 52, respectively, are laterally spaced from the first plurality of arced vertices 50 wherein each of the second 51 and third 52 pluralities of arced vertices are equidistantly displaced from the first plurality of arced vertices 50. Second and third pluralities of arms 57, 59, respectively, are monolithically formed with the second 51 and third 52 pluralities of arced vertices respectively. Each of the second 57 and third 59 pluralities of arms travels linearly and downwardly from the second 51 and third 52 pluralities of arced vertices and terminating at the ground surface. Fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh pluralities of arced vertices 53 – 56, respectively, are equidistantly spaced from the first plurality of arced vertices 50 and monolithically formed with axially opposed ends of the first, second and third pluralities of arms 58, 57 and 59, respectively. A fourth plurality of arms 61 are monolithically formed with selected ones of the fourth 53, fifth 54, sixth 55 and seventh 56 pluralities of vertices wherein the fourth plurality of arms 61 linearly extend inwardly towards the center of the frame 70 and terminate beneath the first plurality of vertices 50.

[0093] The second 57 and third 59 pluralities of arms are coextensively shaped wherein the fourth 53, fifth 54, sixth 55 and seventh 56 pluralities of arced vertices are offset at an obtuse angle from an associated edge of the frame 70. The easel frame further includes an expansion control device 36 removably connected to selected ones of the second 57 and third 59 pluralities of arms for allowing the user to adapt the easel

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frame 70 between alternate shapes without reducing a structural integrity of the easel
frame 70. --